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This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1-7

Watercraft with a hull having a longitudinal centre and a member for producing movement mounted at a rotatable mount located at or ahead the longitudinal centre.

2. claims: 8-12

Propeller housing having inlet and outlet with means to cut hair

3. claims: 13-14

Propeller housing having a chamber, inlet, outlet and guard means comprising planar members to prevent fingers and toes from contacting the propeller.

4. claims: 15-19

Propeller housing comprising an inner wall, outlet, inlet and a propeller defining a gap between propeller and wall of up to 25% of propeller diameter.

5. claims: 20-25

A propeller housing having inlet, outlet and at least one of the inlet or outlet having water straightening means.

6. claims: 26-28

A hull for a watercraft having a rigid portion below waterline when in use and an inflatable portion a part of which is above waterline

7. claims: 29-31

A hull for a watercraft with outer and interior inflatable members.

8. claim: 32

An inflatable driver's seat

9. claims: 33-35

A propulsion system comprising a plurality of propellers positioned in series longitudinally.

10. claims: 36-39

A watercraft having a hull and propellers positioned in parallel.

11. claims: 40-44

A watercraft comprising a hull and a water cannon.

12. claims: 45-46

A watercraft having a hull, propulsion means steering means and a headlight.

13. claims: 47-49

A watercraft comprising a hull, propulsion means, steering means and a radio.

14. claims: 50-51

A hull with an inflatable member and a canister with a mixture of hard drying foam.

15. claims: 52-57

A hull with a foldable rigid section and at least one inflatable section.

16. claims: 58-60

A watercraft with a hull, propelling means, steering means and a recess for receiving the propelling means.

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